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To whom this my concern,

I believe the proposed anti-trust settlement with Microsoft is a farce. It will create a stronger monopoly by seeding the poorest communities with Microsoft products and thus advertising the Microsoft way of doing business. It is nothing more than a bribe.

Microsoft's poorly concealed Software Business Alliance demonstrates Microsoft's intent by massive media efforts to intimidate businesses into using microsoft products. Their presumption is that every business uses Microsoft products. So they have the right to threaten everyone with a software audit. Maybe they should read our constitution.

So rather than give in to the software terrorists, consider:

- 1) Exclude Microsoft from new areas of conquest that would extend their monopoly. For instance the manufacture of hardware such as game boxes and settop boxes.
- 2) Exclude Microsoft from areas that could become competitors to the PC. For example games for game boxes, game boxes, television/cable services, and set-top boxes.
- 3) Force Micrososft to divest MSN.

Otherwise let them keep their 90% market share.

Best regards,
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